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Band Gap Tuning of Photo Fenton-like Fe₃O₄/C Catalyst through Oxygen Vacancies for Advanced Visible Light Photocatalysis

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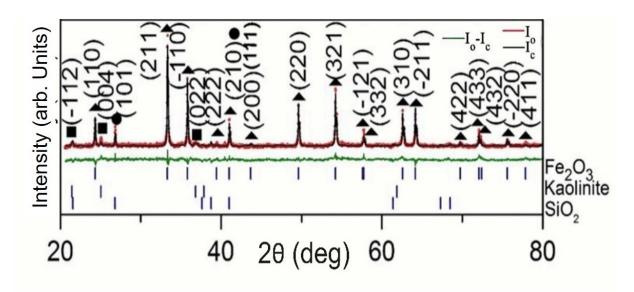


Figure S1 Indexed experimental and simulated XRD patterns of IOTs (Red, black, and green patterns represent observed (I_O), computed (I_C), and residue (I_O – I_C) data respectively. Blue markers (I) below each fitted pattern represent peak positions of the constituent phases. (\triangle), (\blacksquare), and (\bullet) represent Fe₂O₃, kaolinite and SiO₂ phases respectively.

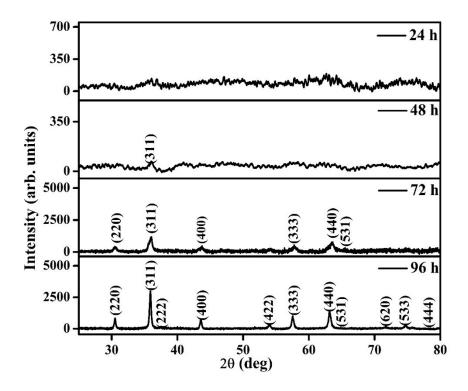


Figure S2 XRD patterns of nanoparticles synthesized with different reaction times (24,48,72 and 96 h) at 160 $^{\circ}$ C.

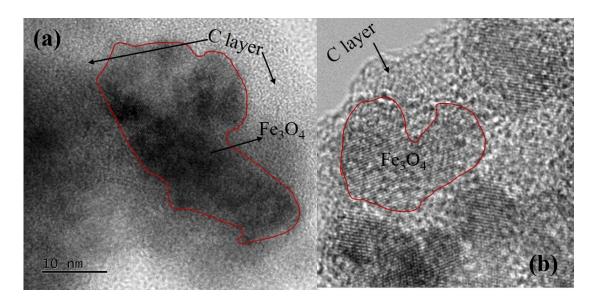
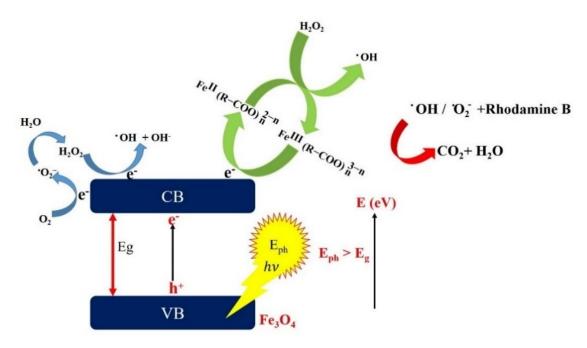


Figure S3 HRTEM images of Fe_3O_4/C nanocomposites for (a) M_1 and (b) M_2 .



Scheme S1 Schematic showing the photocatalytic decolourization of RhB dye by Fe_3O_4/C nanocomposites.

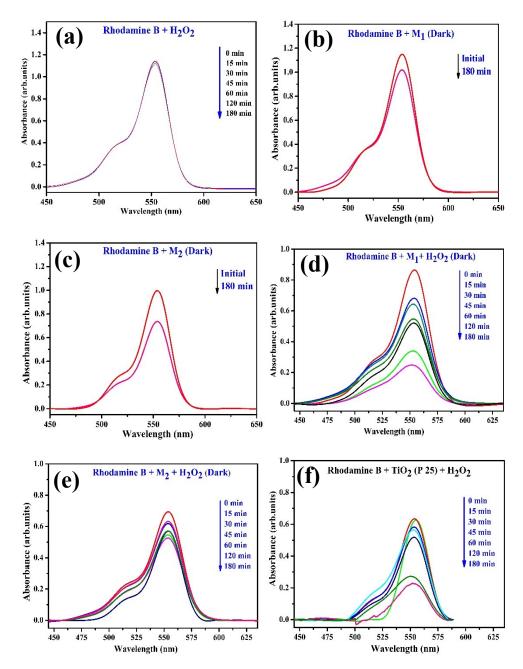


Figure S4 Changes to $λ_{max}$ (555 nm) to RhB dye (50 ml of 1.0×10^{-5} M aqueous solution) upon treatment (a) with only H_2O_2 (100 μl) under irradiation (b) with M_1 (25.0 mg) without irradiation and in absence of H_2O_2 (c) with M_2 (25.0 mg) without irradiation and in absence of H_2O_2 (d) with M_1 (25.0 mg) without irradiation and in presence of H_2O_2 (100 μl) (e) with M_2 (25.0 mg) without irradiation and in presence of H_2O_2 (100 μl); (f) Photolytically induced changes to $λ_{max}$ (555 nm) for RhB dye (50 ml of a 1.0×10^{-5} M aqueous solution) on treatment with TiO₂ NPs (Degussa 25, 25.0 mg) and H_2O_2 (100 μl) under visible light irradiation.